## **Article - Transportation**

22-218.

- (c) (3) (i) Vehicles of city, county, State, or federal fire departments or duly constituted volunteer fire departments or rescue squads, or the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services System, may be equipped with or display red and/or white lights or signal devices.
- (8) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) SUBPARAGRAPHS (II) AND (III) of this paragraph, the blue, red, or white lights or signal devices may be flashed or oscillated or otherwise used only while on route to or at the scene of an emergency, and their use does not relieve an emergency vehicle from otherwise giving an audible warning as required elsewhere in the Maryland Vehicle Law.
- (ii) The driver of an emergency vehicle may use flashing lights within 100 feet of the entrance ramp of a fire or rescue station while parking or backing the emergency vehicle.
- (III) THE DRIVER OF AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT OR RESCUE SQUAD SHALL, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE OFFICER IN CHARGE, FLASH OR OSCILLATE OR OTHERWISE USE RED AND WHITE LIGHTS OR SIGNAL DEVICES WHILE STOPPED, STANDING, OR PARKED ON THE ROADWAY AT THE SCENE OF AN EMERGENCY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002.

Approved May 16, 2002.

## CHAPTER 516

(House Bill 396)

AN ACT concerning

## Family Law - Adoption - Recognition of Foreign Adoption Decrees

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law may not be construed to require a certain adopting parent to file a certain petition for adoption; providing that a certain provision of law applies only if an adopting parent chooses to file a certain petition; requiring certain adoption decrees to be given full recognition and effect in this State under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to prepare and register a certificate of foreign birth for a person born in a foreign country and adopted under certain circumstances by an adopting parent who is a resident of this State; requiring the certificate to be established upon receipt of certain documents; and generally relating to adoption decrees for persons born in foreign countries.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,